County of Los Angeles
Sheriff's Department Headquarters
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LEROY D. BACA, SHERIFF

June 15, 2004

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION SERVICES
INDUSTRY SHERIFF'S STATION
AWARD CONTRACT, C.P. 86476
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT ONE) (3-VOTES)

JOINT RECOMMENDATION WITH THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find that this contract work is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Guidelines Section 15330.

2. Award a contract to Tait Environmental Management, Inc. (TAIT), to provide services to remediate contaminated soil and groundwater at the Industry Sheriff's Station in an amount not to exceed $210,540.

3. Authorize the Sheriff to prepare and execute the agreement in the form previously approved by County Counsel and establish the effective date upon execution.

4. Authorize the Sheriff to manage the contracted work and to execute change orders up to the amount of $31,581.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will allow the cleanup of hydrocarbon-impacted soil and groundwater present at Industry Sheriff's Station to commence. The

recommended contract with TAIT provides for the installation, operation, and maintenance of equipment that will extract and treat contaminated soil and ground water. The contract will continue until a "no further action" letter is obtained showing site compliance with/from the California Regional Water Quality Control Board (CRWQCB).

The Sheriff's Department worked with the CRWQCB to develop an initial Corrective Action Plan to perform ground water investigations and to confirm the nature, source, and extent of the contaminated soil. Earth Tech Incorporated, an environmental consultant, completed the investigative work and submitted an amended plan to the CRWQCB. The amended plan to remediate the contaminated soil and groundwater, using a vapor extraction and a groundwater treatment system, has been approved by the CRWQCB.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan Goals of Service Excellence and Children and Families' Well Being as it provides for the necessary steps to cleanup contaminated soil and groundwater, thereby protecting groundwater quality, as well as improve the quality of life in the County.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The estimated total project cost, including the recommended services, is $500,000. Sufficient funds are available in the 2003-04 Capital Project Budget (Capital Project No. 86476). The project budget sets aside $35,000 to provide consultant services for environmental review of the contractor's clean up progress and $185,755 to address any unknown subsurface conditions that may exist on this remediation project.

The recommended contract amount is $210,540 plus a change order amount of $31,581 for unforeseen remediation efforts as the work progresses. Should additional work be required that exceeds the amount authorized, the Sheriff will return to your Board to request the approval of additional funds. The recommended actions will not impact the Department's operating budget.

Enclosure A reflects the project budget and schedule.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The recommended contractor, TAIT, is in compliance with all Chief Administrative Office (CAO) and Board requirements. The contract will become effective upon receipt and

approval by the Sheriff of the required Comprehensive General and Automobile Liability Insurance Policies, naming the County as additional insured, and evidence of Workers' Compensation insurance.

The contract contains Board-approved contract terms and conditions regarding current and new employee notification of the Federal-earned income tax credit, agreement to maximize, to the extent possible, the use of recycled-content paper products, contractor responsibility and debarment, jury service requirements, no payment for services received after contract expiration or termination, and the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. The contract also requires TAIT to offer employment to qualified County employees on re-employment lists or who are targeted for lay off, as well as qualified GAIN/GROW participants for employment openings.

The Sheriff has evaluated and determined that the Living Wage Program (County Code Chapter 2.201) does not apply to remediation services, as this contract is for non-proposition A services.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This service is categorically exempt from CEQA, under CEQA Guidelines, Section 15330, as it consists of minor cleanup actions taken to mitigate the contamination of soil and groundwater, consistent with applicable State and local permitting requirements and approved by the CRWQCB, the regulatory body with jurisdiction over the remediation activity. Copies of the completed Notice of Exemption are attached as Enclosure C.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

On June 4, 2003, the Department of Public Works (DPW) solicited proposals from independent contractors and community business enterprise organizations to provide a proposal for the work. Also, a notice of proposal availability was placed on the County's bid website and an advertisement was placed in the Los Angeles Times newspaper.

On July 31, 2003, three (3) proposals were received. An evaluation committee consisting of the CAO, DPW, and Sheriff's Department staff, evaluated the proposals. The committee representatives evaluated the responses in accordance with the criteria in the request for proposals and recommended TAIT as the highest ranked proposer, who also submitted the lowest bid to provide the required services.

TAIT Environmental Management, Inc., was selected upon final analysis and consideration, without regard to race, creed, gender, or color. A summary of the CBE/Firm Organization information for the firm is provided in Enclosure B.

The Sheriff has confirmed that the Child Support Services Department has received the contractor's Principal Owner Information Form in compliance with the Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.200 (Child Support Compliance Program).

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be no negative impact on current Sheriff's services or projects during the performance of the recommended services. The award of this contract will not result in the displacement of any County employees.

CONCLUSION

Please return one (1) approved copy of this letter to the Chief Administrative Office, Capital Projects, and the Sheriff's Department, Facilities Planning Bureau.

Respectfully submitted,

LEROY D. BACA
SHERIFF

DAVID E. JANSSEN
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

ENCLOSURE A

ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION SERVICES
INDUSTRY SHERIFF'S STATION, CITY OF INDUSTRY, CALIFORNIA
AWARD CONTRACT, C.P. 86476
(1ST DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)

I. PROJECT SCHEDULE

Project Activity	Estimated Completion Date
Program	January 25, 2001
Design	June 3, 2002
Bid Award	June 15, 2004
Construction	November 27, 2007
Substantial Completion/State Approval	November 28, 2007
Final Acceptance *	February 6, 2008

* Completion and final acceptance dates are subject to changes pending the results of the on-going testing, assessment analysis and the Regional Water Quality Control Boards issuing a closing letter for the site.

II. PROJECT COST SUMMARY

Budget Category	Proposed Budget
Geo-technical Engineering	$29,802
Consulting Services	$35,000
Environmental Remediation Services/Construction	$210,540
Change Orders	$31,581
Subtotal	**$306,923**
County Services	
Department of Public Works	$7,322
Subtotal	**$7,322**
Contingency Change Order*	$185,755
Subtotal	**$185,755**
TOTAL	**$500,000**

* Funds are required due to unknown subsurface conditions that may exist on this remediation project.

FIRM/ORGANIZATION INFORMATION AS PROVIDED BY TAIT ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT, INC.

Enclosure B

This information was gathered for statistical purposes only. On final analysis and consideration of award, selection was made without regard to gender, race, creed or color.

FIRM INFORMATION		TAIT ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT, INC.
Cultural/Ethic Composition		% of Ownership
OWNERS/PARTNERS	Black/African American	0%
	Hispanic/Latin American	0%
	Asian American	0%
	American Indian/Alaskan	0%
	All others	100%
	Women (included above)	0%
		Number
MANAGER	Black/African American	1
	Hispanic/Latin American	2
	Asian American	1
	American Indian/Alaskan	0
	All others	7
	Women (included above)	3
STAFF	Black/African American	18
	Hispanic/Latin American	57
	Asian American	22
	American Indian/Alaskan	0
	All others	140
	Women (included above)	29
TOTAL # OF EMPLOYEES		251
BUSINESS STRUCTURE		Corporation
Certified As Minority, Women, Disadvantaged or Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise?		
CERTIFYING AGENCY		

Enclosure C

Notice of Exemption

To: ☐ Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
Sacramento, California 95814

■ Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk
County of Los Angeles
12400 Imperial Highway
Norwalk, California 90650

From: Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
1000 South Fremont Avenue, Unit 47
Alhambra, California 91803

Project Title: **Industry Sheriff's Station Minor Soil Remediation Project**

Project Location: **150 North Hudson Avenue, at the corner of Stafford Street and Hudson Avenue City of Industry, Los Angeles County**

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The minor soil remediation site is operated by the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department (LASD) as a Sheriff's Station and maintenance facility. The soil beneath the site has been impacted by total petroleum hydrocarbons as gasoline from the former underground storage tanks (USTs) at the site. LASD is planning to install and operate a small scale in situ soil vapor extraction and treatment systems, which will be permitted by South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD), to remediate the fuel hydrocarbons present at an estimated cost of between $352,000 and $484,000. When this project is completed, the hydrocarbon concentration in the groundwater and soil will be reduced to levels acceptable to the California Regional Water Quality Control Board (CRWQCB) for site closure.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: **Los Angeles County**

Name of Person or Agency Carrying out Project: **Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Facilities Planning Bureau**

Exempt Status:

■ **Categorical Exemption. Title 14. Chapter 3. Article 19. Section 15330**

Reason why project is exempt:

1. **This project is exempt under Class 30 because of the following:**

- **it is a minor cleanup action taken to mitigate the release of a hazardous waste with a removal action costing between $352,000 and $484,000 which is less than $1 million,**
- **it will install and operate a small scale in situ soil vapor extraction and treatment systems, which will be permitted by SCAQMD,**
- **all actions will be consistent with applicable state and local environmental permitting requirements including, but not limited to, air quality rules such as those governing volatile organic compounds and water quality standards, and approval by CRWQCB which has regulatory jurisdiction over the site,**
- **onsite treatment systems will meet Title 22 and local air district (SCAQMD) requirements.**

2. **This project is exempt under Class 30 because it does not meet the following exceptions under Article 19 to the use of the Class 30 exemption:**

- **does not require the onsite use of a hazardous waste incinerator or thermal treatment unit,**
- **does not require the relocation of residences or businesses,**
- **does not involve the potential release into the air of volatile organic compounds as defined in Health and Safety Code section 25123.6 except as permitted by SCAQMD as small scale in situ soil vapor extraction and treatment systems,**
- **does not have a cumulative impact of successive projects of the same type in the same place as the project at this site is unique,**
- **does not have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstance as there are no known unusual circumstances,**
- **does not result in damage to scenic resources within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway,**
- **does not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource,**
- **is not located on a site which is included on any list compiled pursuant to section 65962.5 of the government code regarding hazardous waste sites,**
- **will not cause a substantial adverse change to a historical resource, as no such resource occurs at the site.**

Lead Agency
Contact Person: **Mr. Gary T.K. Tse** Area Code/Telephone: **626-300-3001**

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: _____ Date: _____ Title: _____